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TAGS: ILO PLO PFOR AORG ELAB IS

SUBJECT: ILO: ARAB RESOLUTION CALLING FOR EXPULSION OF ISRAEL
FROM ILO

REF: GENEVA 716

1. SUMMARY: ILO LEGAL ADVISER POINTED OUT TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES
INVOLVED IN EXPULSION OF MEMBER COUNTRY FROM ILO BUT SAID DG WOULD
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DECIDE HOW TO HANDLE ICATU RESOLUTION WHEN HE RETURNED TO GENEVA

FEBRUARY 10. REPORT OF ICATU PLANS ALSO APPEARED JANUARY 20 IN EGYPTIAN NEWSPAPER AL OMAL (PARA 3 BELOW).

2. ILO LEGAL ADVISER FRANCIS WOLF SIAD ILO REP IN CAIRO UNDER INSTRUCTIONS NOT TO RAISE QUESTION OF ICATU RESOLUTIONS HOWEVER IF QUESTIONED HE WILL RESPOND THAT ILO CONSITUION AND STANDING ORDERS DO NOT PROVIDE FOR EXPULSION OF MEMBER STATE. INSTRUMENTS OF AMENDMENT DRAWN UP IN 1964 SPECIFICALLY TO PERMIT EXPUSION OF SOUTH AFRICA HAVE NOT BEEN RATIFIED; EVEN IF THEY WERE IN FORCE, THEY REFER SPECIFICALLY TO APARTHEID AND OTHER SOUTH AFRICAN CONDITIONS AND WOULD NOT BE APPLICABLE TO ISRAEL. WOLF SAID CONFERENCE COULD PASS EXPULSION RESOLUTION ONLY BY COMPLETET DISREGARD OF AMENDMENT PROCESS. WOLF RECALLED USSR HAD BEE EXPELLED FROM LEAGUE OF NATIONS IN 1939 BUT NOT FROM ILO, WHERE ITS SEAT HAD BEEN "DECLARED VACANT".

3 WOLF PROVIDED TRANSLATION OF AL OMAL ARTICLE. PERTINENT PART OF TEXT FOLLOWS:

BEGIN QUOTE: THE INTERNATIONAL CONFEDERATION OF ARAB TRADE UNIONS (ICATU) DECIDED TO UNDERTAKE A LARGE SCALE INITIATIVE WITHIN TRADE UNION CIRCLES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD,PRIOR TO THE 60TH SESSION OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOR CONFERENCE, IN ORDER TO FOLLOW UP THE IMPLIMENTATION OF THE RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE POLICY OF RACISM AND VIOLATION OF TRADE UNION FREEDOMS PRACTICED BY ISRAEL AGAINST THE ARAB CITIZENS AND WORKDERS IN PALESTINE AND THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES, WHICH WAS PASSED DURING THE LAST SESSION.

THIS DECISON WAS TAKEN BY THE SECRETARIATS GENERAL OF THE CONFERATION WHEN IT MET,UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHP OF MR. ABDUL LATIF BULTIA, IN ORDER TO DRAW UP THE CONFEREATION'S PLAN OF WORK DURING 1975.

THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL OF ICATU, MR. SULAIMAN ALI AHMED, DECLARED THAT THIS INTIATIVE AIMS AT CONCENTRATING EFFORTS AT THE INTERNATIONAL ABOR CONFERENCE IN ORDER THAT THE CONFERENCE WOULD ISSUE A DECISION TO EXPEL ISRAEL FROM THE ILO AS HAD HAPPED TO THE RACIST SOUTH AFRICA.

THE INITIATIVE ALSO AIMS AT SECURING THE SUCCESS OF THE ARAB CANDIDATES IN THE ELECTIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOR OFFICE, WHICH ARE SCHEDULED TO BE HELD DURING THE CONFERENCE. END QUOTE.DALE
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